

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-15 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A process cartridge, detachably mountable to a main body of an electrophotographic image forming apparatus, the electrophotographic image forming apparatus having a main body guide, a first support member, a second support member, and a main body electrode member, the process cartridge comprising:

an electrophotographic photosensitive drum; ~~drum~~;

process means for performing a process ~~to act on the said~~ electrophotographic photosensitive drum; ~~drum~~;

a cartridge guide configured and positioned to engage with the main body guide to guide ~~the said~~ process cartridge in an axial direction of ~~the said~~ electrophotographic photosensitive drum if ~~the said~~ process cartridge is mounted in the main body of the apparatus; ~~apparatus~~;

a first fit portion provided on one end side of ~~the said~~ electrophotographic photosensitive drum in the axial direction of said electrophotographic photosensitive drum to engage with the first support member in the axial direction, if ~~the said~~ process cartridge is mounted in the body of the apparatus, to position ~~the said~~ process cartridge; ~~cartridge~~;

a second fit portion provided on the one end side of ~~the said~~ electrophotographic photosensitive drum in the axial direction of said electrophotographic photosensitive drum to begin fitting with the second support member in the axial direction, after starting of fitting of the first fit portion and the first support member when ~~the said~~ process cartridge is mounted in the body of the apparatus, to position ~~the said~~ process cartridge, and

a cartridge electric contact provided on the one end side of said electrophotographic photosensitive drum to begin fitting with the main body electrode member, after starting of fitting of ~~the~~ said second fit portion and the second support member when ~~the~~ said process cartridge is mounted in the body of the apparatus, to receive voltage being supplied to ~~the~~ said process means from the main body of the apparatus, and

wherein the one end side of said electrophotographic photosensitive drum is a tip end side in a direction in ~~direction,~~ in which ~~the~~ said process cartridge is mounted in the body of the apparatus.

2. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ said second fit portion restricts turning of ~~the~~ said process cartridge about ~~the~~ said first fit portion to position ~~the~~ said process cartridge relative to the body of the apparatus.

3. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ said first fit portion and ~~the~~ said second fit portion are formed integrally with each other ~~integral~~.

4. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ said first fit portion includes a hole to be fitted onto a projection, which is ~~being~~ the first support member.

5. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ said second fit portion includes a hole to be fitted onto a projection, which is ~~being~~ the second support member.

6. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ said cartridge electric contact is provided in a recess provided on the one end side.

7. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1, wherein that position on ~~the~~ said process cartridge, in which the first fit portion is provided, is one, in which ~~the~~ said cartridge guide moves ~~the~~ said process cartridge in a direction away from the main body guide when ~~the~~ said first fit portion and the first support member fit each other, and that position, in which ~~the~~ said second fit portion is provided, is one, in which ~~the~~ said cartridge guide moves ~~the~~ said process cartridge in a direction away from the body guide when ~~the~~ said second fit portion and the second support member fit each other.

8. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 7, wherein the direction away from the main body guide is obliquely upward in a state in state, ~~in which the~~ said process cartridge is mounted in the main body of the apparatus.

9. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ said process means comprises charging means for charging ~~the~~ said electrophotographic photosensitive drum with electricity, and ~~the~~ said cartridge electric contact fits on the main body charging electrode member provided on the main body of the apparatus to receive voltage being supplied to ~~the~~ said charging means from the main body of the apparatus.

10. (Currently Amended) The process cartridge according to claim 1 or 9, wherein ~~the~~ said process means comprises developing means formed on ~~the~~ said electrophotographic photosensitive drum, and ~~the~~ said cartridge electric contact fits on the main body developing electrode member provided on the main body of the apparatus to receive voltage being supplied to ~~the~~ said developing means from the main body of the apparatus.

11. (Currently Amended) An electrophotographic image forming apparatus for forming an image on a recording medium, ~~the~~ said image forming apparatus comprising

- (i) a main body ~~guide;~~ guide;
- (ii) a first support ~~member;~~ member;
- (iii) a second support ~~member;~~ member;
- (iv) a main body electrode ~~member;~~ member;
- (v) mount means for detachably mounting a process cartridge comprising an electrophotographic photosensitive drum, process means for acting to act on the electrophotographic photosensitive drum, a cartridge guide configured and positioned to engage with ~~the~~ said main body guide to guide the process cartridge in an axial direction of the electrophotographic photosensitive drum when the process cartridge is mounted in the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus, a first fit portion provided on one end side of the electrophotographic photosensitive drum in the axial direction to engage with ~~the~~ said first support member in the axial direction, when the process cartridge is mounted in the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus, to position the process cartridge, a second fit portion provided on the one end side of the electrophotographic photosensitive drum in the axial direction to begin fitting with ~~the~~ said

second support member in the axial direction, after starting of fitting of the first fit portion and ~~the~~ said first support member when the process cartridge is mounted in the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus, to position the process cartridge, and a cartridge electric contact provided on the one end side to begin fitting with ~~the~~ said main body electrode member, after starting of fitting of the second fit portion and ~~the~~ said second support member when the process cartridge is mounted in the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus, to receive voltage being supplied to the process means from the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus, the one end side being a tip end side in a direction, in which the process cartridge is mounted in the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus, and

(vi) conveyance means for conveying the recording medium.

12. (Currently Amended) The electrophotographic image forming apparatus according to claim 11, wherein ~~the~~ said second support member restricts turning of the process cartridge about ~~the~~ said first support member to position the process cartridge relative to the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus.

13. (Currently Amended) The electrophotographic image forming apparatus according to claim 11, wherein ~~the~~ said first support member includes a projection to be fitted into a hole ~~being~~ of the first fit portion.

14. (Currently Amended) The electrophotographic image forming apparatus according to claim 11, wherein ~~the~~ said second support member includes a projection to be fitted into a hole of ~~being~~ the second fit portion.

15. (Currently Amended) The electrophotographic image forming apparatus according to claim 11, wherein that position on the main body of ~~the~~ said apparatus, in which ~~the~~ said first support member is provided, is one, in which the cartridge guide moves the process cartridge in a direction away from ~~the~~ said main body guide when the first fit portion and ~~the~~ said first support member fit each other, and that position, in which ~~the~~ said second support member is provided, is one, in which the cartridge guide moves the process cartridge in a direction away from ~~the~~ said main body guide when the second fit portion and ~~the~~ said second support member fit each other.